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In explaining the trimming of plans, Stanley Taylor, chairman of the School Board for the Tularcitos District, said the board had asked Mr. Stanton for "expensive and unnecessary" additions, which had to be eliminated in order to get a bid between the \$70,000 and \$80,000 of Mr. Stanton's original estimate.

Although several valleyites brought under fire the board's planning procedure and Architect Stanton's original plans, Mr. Taylor said the board was satisfied with present arrangements. He commented that the items dropped from the plans could be added on later, with the bill footed by operating expenses.

Final plans are expected to be approved by the State in about three weeks, and the contractor estimates the project will be completed six months after approval is received.

SECOND AUDUBON SCREEN TOUR

Next Monday evening the Audubon Society presents the second of this season's screen tours at Sunset School Auditorium at 8 p.m. - "Sounds of the Sageland," a new and different nature program by outdoor hobbyists Alice and Harold Allen, of Los Angeles, nationally known radio and screen artists. Those who have thought of the sageland as devoid of vegetation and scarcely inhabited will be pleasantly surprised at its wealth of animal and plant life as portrayed in glowing motion pictures. Not only are they lands of vegetation, but that

HELEN GAHAGAN DOUGLAS TO SPEAK IN CARMEL

The Carmel Woman's Democratic Club will hold an open house for Mrs. Helen Gahagan Douglas tomorrow at 4 p.m. in the All Saints' Parish House, Carmel. The meeting will be open to all interested Democratic men and women.

The Carmel Police Department announces that licenses for bicycles, as required by ordinance, are now ready for issuance. They may be obtained at the Police Department or at the schools.

TAVES-WHITMAN ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Taves, of Long Beach, announced the engagement of their daughter, Betty Lee, to Colden O. Whitman, of Pebble Beach, at a luncheon at their home in the Southern city earlier this week.

Local friends of the pair heard the news at a New Year's Day open house at the Carmel Valley home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Allaire.

Betty, who is a graduate of Mills College in Oakland and of Western Reserve in Cleveland, has two sisters, Cynthia and Lynda.

Colden is the son of the Paul L. Whitmans, of Pebble Beach. He has a brother, Paul, and his sister is Mrs. George B. Chapman, Jr., of Cleveland. He is a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Geyer, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Moll, of Monterey, and Mr. and Mrs. Colden Whitman, of Coarse Gold. He is a graduate of Carmel High School and studied at an art school in St. Louis for two years. Following 42 months in the army, most of which was spent overseas, Colden opened a studio in Carmel.

The wedding of the popular young couple is planned for March fourth at All Saints Church in Long Beach.

The bride-to-be will spend the month of January visiting at Pebble Beach before returning to her home to make arrangements for the nuptials.

vegetation is rich in color and variety. And who could think of the sagelands as empty and silent after seeing such inhabitants as the vermilion flycatcher, the verdin, Costa's hummingbird, linnet, cactus wren, dwarf hermit thrush and many other species?

The Allens will be entertained at dinner preceding the lecture at Pine Inn. Those desiring to attend the dinner, which will be at 5:45 p.m., are requested to notify Mrs. Isabelle Terhune at Carmel 1308-J.

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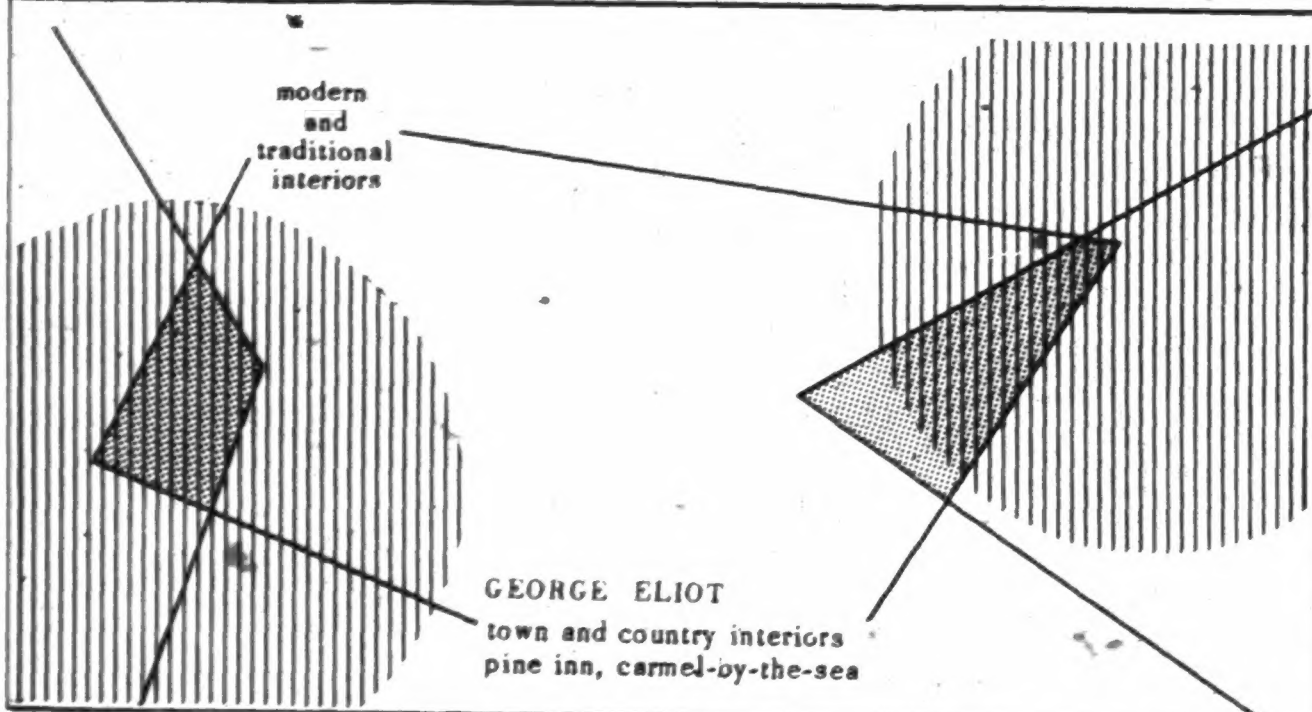
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Discerning Discs

By HENRY DUNAKIN

Bela Bartok has descended upon the discophiles in no uncertain terms. Five new recordings are at hand, awaiting descriptions... kind or otherwise. With such a barrage, a word about the merits of this composer's works is almost demanded. Merits? They are manifold and concrete. His music is inevitably complicated in both its rhythmic and harmonic content; there is a natural flow of melody plus a marked folk flavor, and the epitome of stylization is reached through tonal balance. His canvas, for the most part, emerges as an abstraction. A message is spoken in a relatively simple language, yet there is always a metaphysical quality that holds the interest of the esoterica. Only a matter can combine so many elements into a solid whole. Music lovers are, at long last, knocking down the conditioned blocks against anything short of the "grand style" of the past century and, as the result, genius such as Bartok's is rapidly gaining its just recognition.

PIANO CONCERTO

Vox-Polydor leads the list with a double-header. The "Piano Concerto No. 2" (1930-31) and the "Piano Sonata" (1926) are both released by this company on one LP. Andor Foldes is the featured artist, and there can be no doubt as to his thor-

ough understanding of the music by his compatriot. Each of these compositions is teeming with Hungarian dance rhythms and weird, Oriental harmonies. The orchestral support is by the Lamoureux group, led by Eugene Bigot, and the recording is tops.

CHAMBER SELECTIONS

The loftiest thoughts of Bartok's output are represented in his six String Quartets. The first two fall quite strongly in the subjective or romantic vein. The third is of high merit as it was the bridge of transition to his absolute, or abstract, unfolding. Peter Bartok, the composer's son, is responsible for the recording of this "Third Quartet" on an LP that bears his name as its label. Five selections from "Mikrosmos," arranged by Tibor Serly, and Stravinsky's "Three Pieces for String Quartet" finish off the disc. The artists call themselves the New Music Quartet and their performances are first rate.

PIANO AND PERCUSSION

One of the most primitive, yet highly refined pieces of music ever to reach these ears is the Bartok "Sonata for Two Pianos and Percussions." Fortunately, an adventuresome Italian company known as Durium dared to record this startling work for us. During, indeed, because its appeal will remain limited for many years to come. Anyhow, here it is performed by Gorini and Lorenzie, duo-pianists, with the percussions

provided by the Florentine Stabile under direction of Ettore Gracis. The reading is hardly short of terrific. If there are any doubts, it is suggested that the listener follow these platters with score in hand. To read the score itself is quite a lengthy, if mildly neurotic, evening's entertainment! The discs are at standard speed, containing a bit of surface noise, but not enough to cause discomfort.

STRINGS AND PERCUSSION

More of same? Not a bit! The "Music for Strings, Celeste, and Percussions" is pleasant listening for even the novice. Strong in melody, simple in form... a measure of relaxation is to be found in Bartok's handling of Hungarian elements and modern sonorities here. Harold Byrns handles the Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra with intellectual dexterity and Capitol Classics masters the engineering. Highly recommended for an introduction to one of the Twentieth Century's musical giants...



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WHO IS IT?



This is one of a series of photographs of persons you should know. All persons pictured are from the Monterey Peninsula and are of interest mainly because they are in public life or are well known to many people for various reasons. For the answer to this week's "Who Is It?" turn to page 10

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by Carl Anderson.

I overheard a man saying that he had made a New Year's resolution not to make a New Year's resolution this year. Like people who are superstitious about Not Being Superstitious. Or dogmatic about Not Being Dogmatic. Or boastful about Not Being Boastful...

When I first started thinking about writing this week's column, I thought at first I would get some prominent persons to allow me to quote their New Year's resolutions. But prominent persons aren't generally inclined to admit they need any New Year's resolutions. So that was that...

New Year's Day always brings a torrent of recipes for hangovers. Take the juice of two quarts of whiskey and... (This recipe is known as the "body of the dog that bit you").

As far as the Rose Bowl game is concerned, we West Coasters can at least say it was a close one. (And thank God for Santa Clara). I would gladly have nominated California Coach Waldorf "Man of the Half Cen-

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"There's ONE good thing I can say about your mother—she objected to our marriage."

ture" if his team had whipped the Big Niners.

Understand tickets were scalped as high as \$60 a seat for the game. I wouldn't pay \$60 to see Notre Dame play the University of Moscow.

The time has come, the editor said, To speak of many things The most important of which shall be That tournament of Bing's.

Aside from the fact that the Crosby tournament is a good show, in which one sees more real golf than the average duffer deserves, the entire proceeds go for charity, which last year amounted to \$18,000 after taxes. The

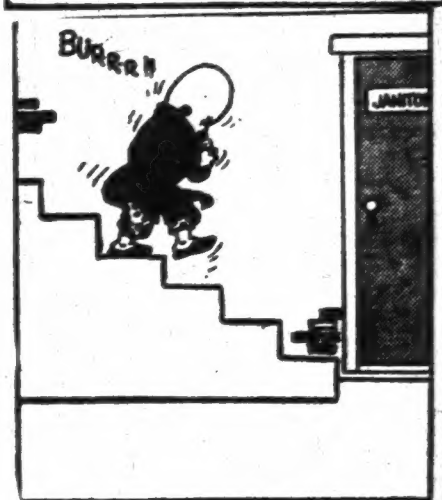
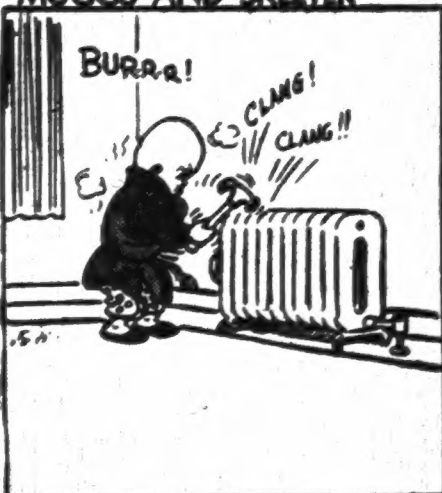
tournament is staged Jan. 13, 14 and 15. Tickets are \$2 Friday, \$2.50 Saturday and \$3 Sunday - or \$5 for the three days, including admission to Del Monte Forest. If you don't like golf, there's some mighty purty scenery at Pebble Beach. Or maybe you heard tell...

A dog of my acquaintance stopped me on the street the other day and asked me if I would put in a good word for the hotels and restaurants around the peninsula that provide "doggie boxes" full of leftover prime ribs for his master to bring home to him. He said it was a nice custom on the part of the restaurateurs and wanted to know if I didn't think it was a meaty subject for the column. I did, so I thought I would pass the word along.

See you later. I must get back to my canasta game, which I am now playing at 160th of a cent a point.

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VISITS FATHER DURING HOLIDAYS. Miss Josephine Crispin, of San Francisco, a sophomore at Balboa High, is visiting her father, S. Crispin, of Carmel Valley. Polaroid One-Minute photo.

Socials - Clubs

HOLIDAY PARTIES

Holiday parties were much in evidence all over Monterey Peninsula. Major General and Mrs. Robert T. Frederick (commanding officer of Fort Ord) held an open house on New Year's Day in their Presidio of Monterey home. Another open house was given by Captain and Mrs. T. J. Casey (commanding officer of the Navy General Line School).

Starting what they hope will be an annual custom at their Pebble Beach home, Dr. and Mrs. Richard L. Bower were at home to neighbors and friends on Christmas Eve. Guests were served Tom and Jerries and were guided to the Bower residence by the red and green lights of outside Christmas decorations.

In Carmel, Dr. and Mrs. D. D. Stofor entertained with a Tom and Jerry party New Year's night at their Seventh and San Antonio home. The Stofors took advantage of the quail season to go hunting last week.

DANCING PARTY

Don McLean, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold J. McLean, of Monterey, hosted a group of Junior Assembly friends at a dancing party Friday night at the McLean home. Among the guests were Sylvia Muir, Jeannie Parsons, Junia Gratiot, Peggy Dougherty, Phyllis Fisher, Judy Neff, Mary Rudolph, Sandy Wheland, Wayne Downey, Bob Marron, Rusty Douglass, David Rudolph, Breck Tostevin and David Beall.

NEW RESIDENCE

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Nix, of Carmel, have moved into their new home at Junipero and Sixth.

RETURNS TO DARTMOUTH

Elton Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Clark, of Hatton Fielda, spent two weeks at home during the holidays. He returned Monday to Hanover, N.H., where he attends Dartmouth College. Accompanying him on his return trip to Dartmouth was Tom McCrea, a former Carmel resident.

The Clarks also hosted Mrs. Clark's brother and sister-in-law, Mr.

and Mrs. Henry E. Keyes, of Atherton, and their two children during the Christmas weekend.

AT CARMEL HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Paehlig, of Fresno, will spend the New Year's weekend at their Carmel Woods home.

FRESNO VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Thompson, of Carmel, will shortly be visited by their two daughters and sons-in-law, of Fresno. The couples, Mr. and Mrs. Durbin Breckenridge, will stay with Mr. and Mrs. Thompson during the Bing Crosby Tournament.

PG CIVIC CLUB SLATE

The Pacific Grove Women's Civic Club schedule of meetings for January is as follows: Jan. 11, business meeting; Jan. 18, card session under chairmanship of Mrs. Keith Mackenzie; Jan. 25, lecture by Dr. Joseph Blacow, of Monterey Peninsula College, "Looking into the Crystal Ball;" Jan. 27, hobby show under chairmanship of Mrs. John McGrea.

SEE EAST-WEST GAME

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Wells, of Pacific Grove, attended the East-West game New Year's Day in San Francisco. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bacon, of Santa Cruz. During Christmas weekend, Mrs. Wells' sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond McDaniel, of Richmond, and Miss Sally Silva, also of Richmond, visited the Pacific Grove couple.

BACK TO COLLEGE

Tuesday was Operation-Exodus Day for Carmel's college undergraduates. Up to Berkeley and Mills and Stanford, by train or motor, went the boys and girls, their suit cases bulging with Christmas gifts. Kathy von Meier, June Kocher, Charis Johns, Mary Gregory, Dave Hudson and Bill Sapsis were off to the Berkeley campus.

Bob Barry, Dick Garguilo, Rod Doer, Steve Brooks and Betty Plaxton returned to Stanford.

Marjorie Glennon and Judy Campbell travelled all the way to Mills College.

Sue Moore left on New Year's Day for Mt. Holyoke. Her brother Bill, midshipman at Corpus Christi Naval Air School, got home from celebrating the

New Year just in time to say a fond farewell and catch the train -- back to the Aye Aye, Sir at Corpus Christi.

TO ELECT DIRECTORS

A new board of directors for the coming year will be elected at the luncheon meeting of the American Women's Voluntary Services to be held tomorrow at La Ribera Hotel.

COCKTAIL PARTY

Janice Hatton, daughter of the Howard C. Hattons, of Carmel Valley, gave a cocktail party on the last day of '49. Most of the crowd, in high spirits, went on to Dave Hudson's...



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A healthy bit of the real old-fashioned Christmas spirit was cast our way two evenings last week: A gift to the entire community! The Carl Cherry Foundation presented peninsulites two recitals of "Dances of a Religious Nature," created by Henry Kersh, whose artistic achievements are already well known to us. The setting for these performances was the Carmel Art Association Galleries, and approximately 75 persons attended each evening.

Before a brief critique of the program, it is felt that a word about these dances is in order. The term "religious" was not to be limited to the realm of "church." Rather, it was thought of as "homage, supplication and thanksgiving" ... applicable to whatever creed one might follow. With this approach in mind, Mr. Kersh's handling of subject matter reached a cosmic height, encompassing all cultures and beliefs.

Five compositions built on modality were included in the program ... a "Gloria" from the rituals of the Gregorian Chant and four from the pens of modern composers, Satie and Britten. In each of these portrayals, a marked adherence to the rise and fall of the early modes was complemented by the dance. Alleluias were so complete as to make themselves felt by the audience. Of great interest was the "Transfiguration" (better known to us as the Gymnopédie No. 1) by Satie. Penance was expressed from the ancient position of kneeling to the floor; as the music unveiled, the motion of the artist soared upward, shedding the guilts and revealing ablation. Two Bach selections, "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" and "Air for G String," received all the respect and dignity that their contents evoke. The "Air" was of exceptional interest, as Mr. Kersh danced it last summer in his Forest Theater appearance. A larger degree in fluidity of motion and a decided improvement in technique showed that the artist is making giant strides ahead. The pro-

gram concluded with a stately "Hymn" from Arensky's Variations on a Theme by Tchaikovsky.

Pafford Clay was responsible for the setting, while Maria Wallace, in charge of music, and Cyril Church, as technical manager, contributed equal importance toward making this gift one of the most praiseworthy that the writer has ever received.

Henry Dunakin

Full Moon Ends Sardine Season

Although Monterey's fishing season ends officially on Jan. 15, sardine fishing for all practical purposes concluded the middle of last week.

A combination of factors brought operations to a gradual close, after a season better by far than the last two. Boats last week got well over 1,000 tons of sardines. Seiners, however, had to make a long and expensive trip to the south in order to get them. By mid-week, skippers noted that catches were falling off and decided to spend the last day or two before New Year's and the full moon fishing right in Monterey Bay.

Fishing now is completely halted by that moon. Sardines are caught by nets, lowered at points in the sea where a glow over the water reveals their presence. When the moon is very bright, fishermen are unable to see this glow and have no means of catching the fish. Next week, there are six days on which fish could be delivered before the season end.

Whether operations will be heavy or not is distinctly problematical, since many boats will be preparing for other types of fishing.

Women Hold GOP Meeting

As this publication was going to press, members of the Monterey Peninsula Republican Women's Club were greeting women who attended yesterday's conference of the Northern Division of the California Council of Republican Women at Asilomar. It was the first opportunity for the local group to host such a conference.

Visiting members were presented with corsages fashioned from peninsula gardenia, and their luncheon and dinner tables were decorated with arrangements of native California flora. Mrs. James Tyson, assisted by Mesdames William Eklund, Katherine O'Neill, Martha O'Shea and Dudley H. Swin, was in charge of decorations. Mrs. E. P. McMurtry was chairman of the tickets committee, which comprised the Mesdames Sam Bonsall, Josephine M. Johnson, Helen Park Clark, Charles B. Scoville, Jr., D. D. Stofer and Miss Lydia Weld.

Last night's dinner was followed by a program of entertainment which included songs by Dan Hosack, well known peninsula contralto, a comedy

political sketch by Grayce McKay, and folk dances in costume by the Osborne Dancers, members of which are Melvin and Jean Baker, Bill Marquardt, Dorothy Osborne, Willie Gibson, Viola Myers, Mark and Maude Wilmot, Curtis Dean, Geinei Jacoby, Jim Pyle, Gene Cahoon and Barbara and Vi Brookshire.

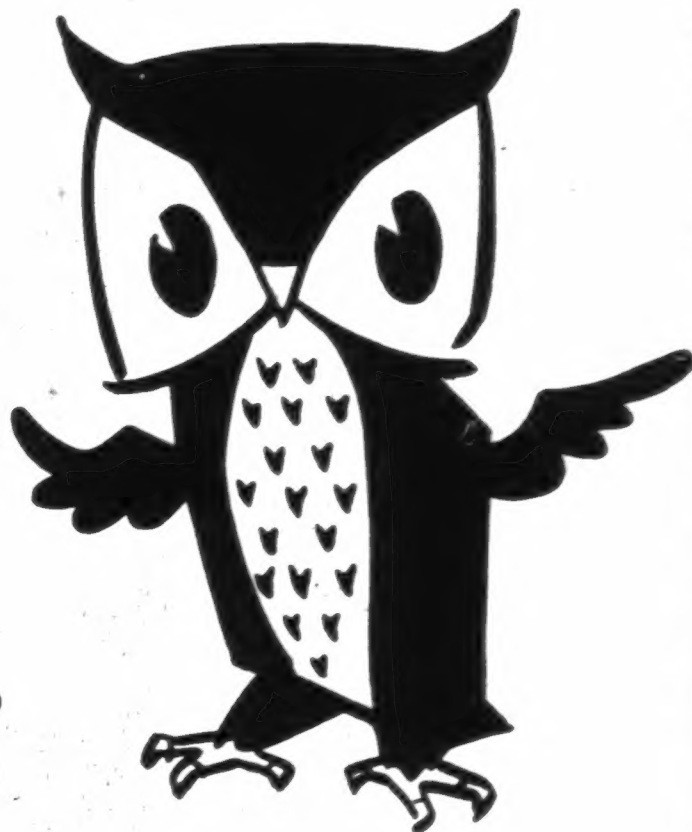
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Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Mariam White Herrick, Executrix of the Estate of Sarah E. White, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, that within six months after the first publication of this notice, they either file them with the necessary vouchers in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Monterey, or exhibit them with the necessary vouchers to the said Mariam White Herrick, Executrix, at the office of John W. Morse, 2nd floor of the Gould Building, San Carlos and Ocean Avenue, Carmel, California, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said Estate in the County of Monterey, State of California.

Dated at Carmel, California, this 7 day of November, 1949.

Mariam White Herrick, executrix.
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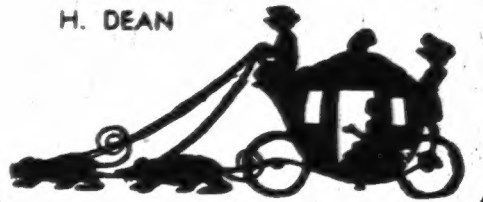
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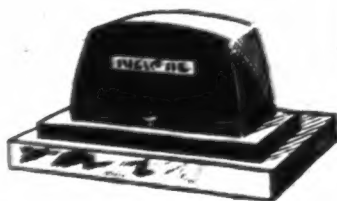


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Principals of "The Little Foxes" cast. The play will be staged by the Forest Theater Guild at Sunset School, Carmel, Jan. 20, 21 and 27, 28. Left to right, Cole Weston, Ruth Warshawsky, Forrest Barnes and Carol McEwen. (See Story Below). Photo by STEVE CROUCH.

About The Forest Theater Cast

By JANE PARKER

Ruth Warshawsky, who will play the leading role of Regina in the Forest Theater Guild production of "The Little Foxes," Jan. 20, 21 and 27, 28 in the Sunset School auditorium, is a well known star in the peninsula theater. Her performances in such outstanding plays as "Biography," "Time of Your Life" and "By Candlelight" have brought her interpretations of characters the background of her training, experience and knowledge of life both here and abroad.

We heard her in a fine reading of "The Little Foxes" and can promise her role to be the "meatiest" of her characterizations.

Forrest Barnes, who has best been known for his excellent direction of "Claudia" and "Stage Door," will appear as an actor for the first time in Carmel as Ben, one of the most important male roles. He is also general stage director of the Forest Theater Guild and the Theater Workshop under the Adult Evening Education Program.

Cole Weston made his debut at the Golden Bough Playhouse in 1928 in "The Affairs of Cellini." His enthusiasm for the theater led him to a scholarship at the Cornish School in Seattle, where he majored in drama. He also taught dancing and various forms of the drama before he went South, where he appeared with numerous little theater groups. Theater work is Cole Weston's complete avocation and his work in "The Little Foxes" will establish him as one of our leading male actors, as we have seen him in rehearsal - what better place in which to pass judgement?

Carol McEwen, who plays the main sympathetic role of Birdie in this drama of greed and frustration, understands her balancing influence in the relationship with her elders. Carol is a librarian at the Monterey Public Library and a most attractive girl. We welcome her to her first appearance on the peninsula and hope she will become one of the Forest Theater Guild "regulars."

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WHO IS IT?

Leslie K. Smith, mayor of Monterey, is featured in this week's "Who Is it?" Born in Lompoc, California, in 1901, Mr. Smith was the son of a hardware merchant and eventually went into the business himself. He came to Monterey in 1939, shortly after his second marriage. His first wife passed away some years ago, but left him with two sons, Kenneth, 24, who is married and recently made a grandfather of the mayor, and Donald, 21, a Navy man who surprised his family by showing up unexpectedly from the Philippine Islands during Christmas. Mr. Smith has owned and operated Smith Brothers Hardware Co. on Alvarado Street since he first came to the Monterey Peninsula, and his oldest son now works for him at the store. To the person who has encountered the mayor's easygoing charm, it is not surprising that he was elected chief executive of Monterey during the "hot" election last May, even though certain strong political personages did not favor his election. Mayor Smith belongs to the Masonic lodge, and is a Shriner, member of the Lions Club, Elks and many others. He likes fishing, golf and gardening, but reports that his duties as mayor keep him too busy to enjoy them, although he does "play a little poker now and then."

"der BINGLE" Has HOPE

It may be that on Jan. 15 the question that has been puzzling sports fans for many years will be answered. Who is the best golfer, Bing Crosby or Bob Hope?

Because this year Mr. Crosby has finally prevailed upon Mr. Hope to arrange his picture schedule, his personal appearances, and his radio show so that he can play in the \$10,000 National Pro-Amateur Golf Championship, sponsored by Mr. Crosby.

The tournament is being held this year on Friday, Jan. 13, at exclusive Cypress Point Club; Saturday, Jan. 14 at the Monterey Peninsula Country Club; and Sunday, Jan. 15, at world famous Pebble Beach links.

Byron Nelson has also accepted an invitation to come out of retirement for this tournament, and Ben Hogan will be Bing's guest at Pebble Beach whether he plays or not. And he hopes to play.

A "golf clinic" where the duffer gets a million dollar lesson from the top professionals of the nation for a buck is slated for Thursday, Jan. 12,

on the second tee at Pebble Beach at 3 p.m.

All proceeds from the tournament, which Grantland Rice last year pronounced "the greatest golf tournament being played in the world today," are for charity, with Mr. Crosby paying all the bills.

Last year the tournament drew a gallery of 12,000 fans on the final day, to watch the world's top pros and most colorful amateurs, including many Hollywood stars perform. It netted \$18,000 after federal amusement taxes were deducted. Charities are the Monterey Peninsula Community Chest and Sister Kenny Polio Fund.

Mr. Hogan won the tournament last year with 70-68-70-208, eight under par for the three world famous courses and two strokes better than perennial runner-up Jim Ferrier.

The pro-amateur crown went to the team of Bill Nary, of Phoenix, Ariz., and Francis "Lefty" O'Doul, manager of the San Francisco Seals baseball club. They had a best ball of 196.

Gallery fee is \$2 Friday, \$2.50 Saturday and \$3 Sunday, or a flat \$5 for a season ticket including admission to Del Monte Forest.

If Tot Swallows Foreign Object

By GARRY CLEVELAND MYERS, P.L.D.

ALMOST any day you may read in your newspaper of a baby or young child rushed to a hospital for the removal of some strange object which he has swallowed and which has lodged in his gullet, windpipe, lungs, stomach or intestines.

Last year at Children's Memorial Hospital, Chicago, alone, 88 such operations were performed on children whose food or air passages were blocked by the swallowing of "foreign bodies." All these were removed through the mouth without the making of an incision; an almost magical performance known as bronchoscopy whereby the operator looks directly into the gullet, windpipe, or stomach through a lighted tube and removes the object through this tube.

Orange Seeds

The foreign bodies included seeds of orange, watermelon or pumpkin, orange peel, olive pits, pieces of raw carrot, toy automobiles and airplanes, toy soldiers, buttons, collar buttons, teeth, bones, military decorations, tacks, nails, staples, hairpins, straight pins, safety pins, nuts, fourteen safety pins, 11 peanuts, eleven coins.

The most dangerous thing for parents of young children to do is to leave lying around an open safety pin. Dr. Chevalier Jackson, of Philadelphia, considered the father of bronchoscopy, says that out of more than 500 safety pins he has removed from the interior of children not more than a dozen were closed.

Until recent years, nine out of ten children and adults with foreign objects lodged in their lungs died eventually of infection. Thanks to the science of bronchoscopy, the fatalities now are less than one out of a hundred. One or more of the general hospitals of big cities are equipped for this work. With the automobile and airplane, a patient living in the most remote places may be rushed to the nearest such hospital in time to have his life saved.

Dangerous Places

Not nearly all the foreign objects get lodged in dangerous places. Sometimes the larynx closes so as to keep the object from going further, and the cough reflex expels many an object which slips by this guard. Getting into the gullet the object may pass down through the stomach and intestines and out in the normal way.

The foregoing facts and many others of related nature appeared in the Saturday Evening Post, of October 22, under the title, "Kids Will Swallow Anything," by Rufus Jarman. I wish all parents and all youths who will be the future parents would read that article carefully. To read it is to feel reason for caution and vigilance in respect to small objects which children can and may put into their mouths; and to gain appreciation of some of the marvelous achievements of medical science.

In addition to eternal vigilance, the parent should win the youngster's cooperation at giving her small things he finds on the floor. I know some mothers who cut a slit in a closed coffee can, drop into it some small articles from the floor, rattle the can and thus induce the little tyke to do likewise. It's great fun for him to look for things and see them disappear magically through the slit.

If your child hasn't swallowed a foreign object or a poison call your doctor or hospital. If you can't get the party at once call the telephone operator of your trouble and she will be glad to help you. Or if you have no telephone, shout to the nearest neighbor or to a passing car. Of course, it is wise to think out while all is well just what to do in case such an emergency arises, resolving to keep your head then.



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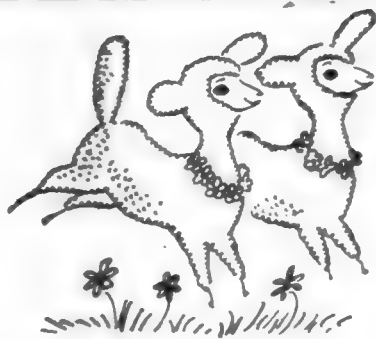
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Born in Denver, Don put himself thru college by entertaining clubs and other organizations with his unique tom-thumb operas.

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These are not "puppet operas." Don has developed a new technique for propelling the tiny figures about the stage. They are mounted on flexible strips of cardboard which Don maneuvers across the floor of the tiny stage. The illusions he creates are such that you can easily imagine yourself watching a performance at the "Met" - particularly since the records



Children inspect miniature opera stage. Photo by STEVE CROUCH.

which supply the music are always those of top-drawer performers.

My introduction to Don's new art was at his recent showing of "Hansel and Gretel," where I sat wide-eyed along with the "other" children in the audience. When the forest fog rolled across the stage, and the 14 angels came wafting down from heaven - and later when the witch's cauldron boiled and bubbled, I was on the edge of my seat with the rest of them!

The whole thing has a tremendous appeal to the imagination - it's stimulating and exciting. Of course its educational value is also very great - it is a means of acquainting many people with good opera - in many cases, people who might not have the chance otherwise.

Don says that children who attend adult performances of such operas as "Traviata" or "Tosca" are as much

engrossed as their elders.

You may have seen some of Don's paintings at the Presidio Chapel, where he was recently the assistant to the Chaplain. Incidentally, he has been commissioned to do a painting of Christ for the Chapel.

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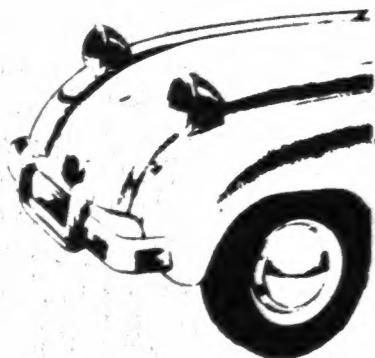
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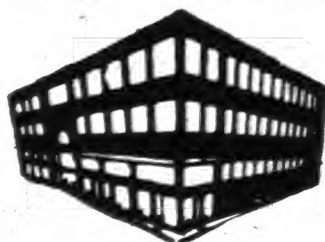
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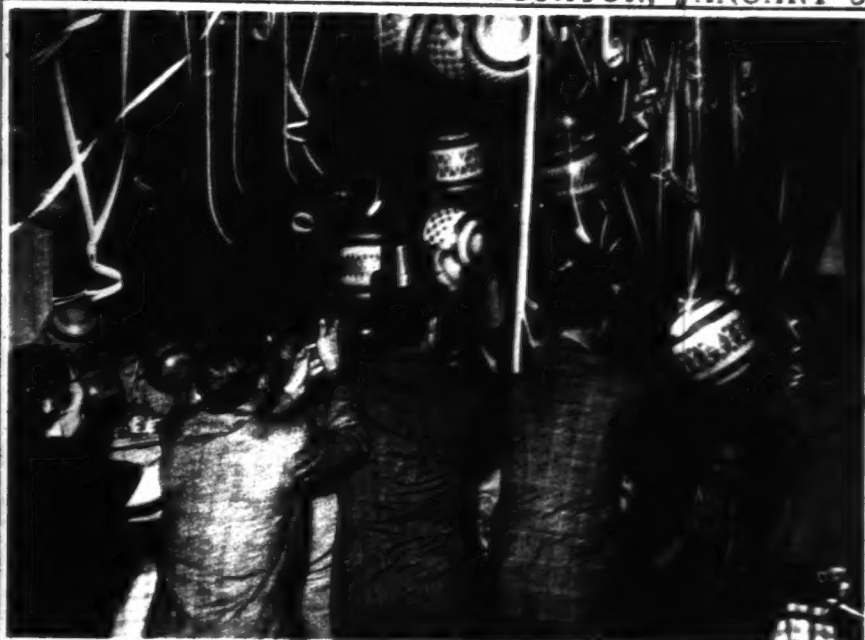
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Fresh from her cross-continent tour, which included Washington for political news and New York for the plays and recent crop of worth while books, Mrs. Vallely will review both national and international issues. She will discuss the liveliest subject which will come up when the United Nations opens again: the subject of Kashmir, which could easily become the Palestine of Asia. Very little is heard about Pakistan which is claiming Kashmir, but Mrs. Vallely sought out the Pakistan Embassy and their consulate in New York for material.

Tickets for the lecture are \$1.20 (tax included) and may be secured at the Theatre the afternoon of the lecture which is under the management of Alice Seckels.

RAGGETT, BALZER TAKE YOUTH CENTER POSTS

Mark Raggett and Oscar Balzer were named to positions with the Carmel Youth Center during a meeting on Thursday. Mr. Raggett was appointed secretary-treasurer and Mr. Balzer became a member of the board of directors.

ENTERTAIN WELSH VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. Ivor L. Prosser entertained last week for their houseguests, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nichols, of Swansea, South Wales. The Nichols, who came to United States about two months ago to visit their daughter in Los Angeles, were on their way home with a very dreary opinion of our great country. Two days in Carmel changed all that. "Unique and topping," they said, "but definitely topping!"

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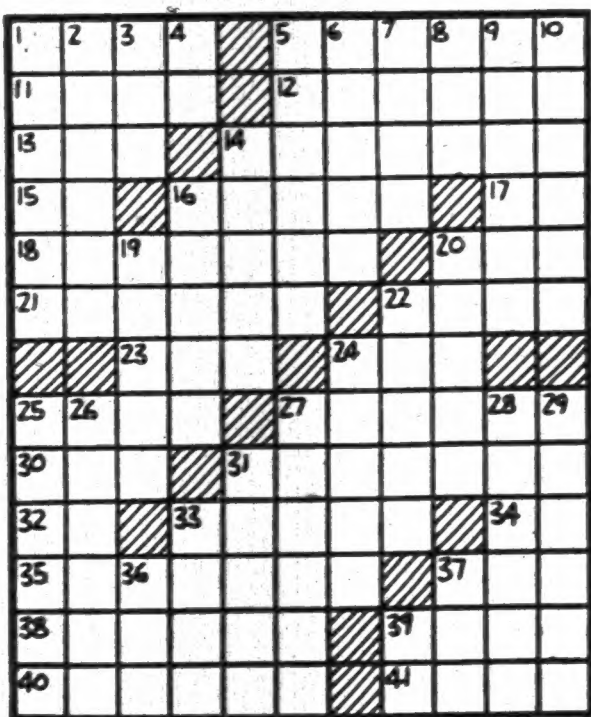
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- Cicatrix
 - A noxious vapor
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 - To break a seal
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 - Spurt out
 - Stationary part (mach.)
 - Witty sayings
 - Clamor
 - Muscular twitch
 - Revolve
 - Mender of metal pots
 - Sailor
 - Depart suddenly (slang)
 - Guido's lowest note
 - More mature
 - Sign of infinitive
 - Weaker
 - Vitality
 - A circular
 - Toward the lee
 - Scoffs
 - Sacred song

- DOWN**
- Goes away (slang)
 - Belief
 - Roman money
 - Music note
 - Assemble as troops
 - Insert
 - Assyrian deity
 - Body of water
 - Loadstone
 - Natives of Aleutian Islands
 - Older brother of Moses
 - Ancient language
 - Lowest point
 - A large monkey
 - Smaller
 - One who times races
 - Crams
 - A supporter
 - Candles
 - Value highly
 - Open again
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Last week's answer

- A journey on horseback
- Malt beverage
- Travel back and forth
- Exclamation



Once Upon a Time

By
Alexander Victor

The last week has been a rather difficult one for me. First, the editor of THE SPECTATOR congratulated me on my BOUNDLESS energy. If I have such a thing it must have been mislaid somewhere. I have spent fruitless hours in front of my fireplace trying to pick up energy enough to start hunting for the darn thing. So far without success.

The next thing that happened was that in a misguided moment I started to read a book called the "Art and Technique of Short Story Writing." There were about 300 pages of what you should do and what not to do. It lost me both time and temper. I have a technique of my own. It's much simpler and I don't mind telling the reader about it. It is not patented anyway, but I believe it is original. First, you move your chair to the typewriter. This is easier than to move the typewriter to the chair on account of Newton's Law of Gravitation. Next you hunt for some paper to write on. This is the hardest part. You find that the maid used your manuscript paper to kindle a fire with and you have to find something else, possibly the back of business letters, bills (unpaid) or whatever is usable. The next thing is to start a fire in the fireplace. Then you chase out a strange dog that has arrived from some remote place. Now get some cigarettes, a drink and an ashtray. Place these on the left side of the table. Then put a sheet of paper in the typewriter. Next, all you have to do is to write your column or your short story. Nothing could be simpler than that.

Twelve o'clock on New Year's night has always been a very important event in my life. This one I expected to be more than usually impressive because of the change in numerals to an even 50 . . . the middle of a century. I remember very well when time changed from 1899 to 1900. I was young then and very thrilled by many things that seem of little importance nowadays.

But I confess to a little disappointment on this last occasion. First, I did not celebrate. Did not go out and pretend to be gay, and did not throw confetti. That however suited my mood. My disappointment was in my own lack of inner excitement. The lack of zest. At exactly twelve o'clock I stepped out on my study balcony to

listen to the tooting of horns, the blowing of factory whistles and the clanging of churchbells. Imagine my surprise when there wasn't a sound. This was something new to a fellow who had lived in cities most of his life. Perhaps this is better, but I felt a bit lonely. Perhaps I felt nostalgic. Missed the mad crowds of the city perhaps. The restaurant parties, where the lights were turned out at midnight for a few minutes. Where everybody kissed his dancing partner in the dark.

Which reminds me of the young wife who was kissed by a perfect stranger. Her husband, who was unaware of the city custom, said "Point out the fellow. I will teach him." His wife replied, "Listen, boy, YOU can't teach him nothing."

I hadn't intended writing a column this week, realizing that there would be many interruptions, and besides, I wasn't in the mood for it. I thought I had a lucky break when I stopped in at the Gourmet shop in the Pine Inn. Mr. Russel came walking towards me with what looked like a big bill. At least it had rows of figures on it. I said, "If that's my bill I will use it in place of my regular column and save a lot of work." "No," said Mr. Russel, "Yours is THIS big," while holding out his hand about two feet apart. Just then, in walked Paul of the Pine Inn Barber shop. He misunderstood the gesture and asked very eagerly, "Where did you catch him and how much did he weigh?" Bah, such people!

I saw my first Hamster yesterday. It is a small rodent. A little smaller than a white rat. But the Hamster has the most beautiful brown-white color and the softest fur I have ever touched. For the benefit of those who may not know the history of the Hamster I will tell you. All the Hamsters in America today, and there are millions, came from one single pregnant female discovered in Syria sometime in the thirties. They breed every 16 days, which explains their rapid increase in so few years. They make the most wonderful pets and are very gentle and may be taken out of their cage and allowed to move about the room. The one I saw yesterday belongs to Alice Campbell, of Pebble Beach, and was brought to my place. He proved a wonderful and amusing visitor.

If anybody else happens to have

some unusual pet, like, say a white rhinoceros, or a spotted zebra, bring them over. I like animals. That brings to my mind the story about the Irishman who was arrested for beating up another Irishman. The Judge asked him what the fight was about. "He called me a Rhinoceros, your honor." "When was this?" asked the judge. "Six years ago," was the answer. "Why did you wait so long," asked the judge. "Because I never saw a Rhinoceros until yesterday," was the reply.

The reason I occasionally mention local people is to make it clear that Mike Could isn't lifting this stuff from the New Yorker or the Saturday Evening Post and other magazines. No, friends, I assure you it is all homespun and a Yam wide.

While I try as far as I can to use only original stuff, I sometimes am tempted to quote. My very good friend and Kelly Pool companion, F.P.A. of, Information Please, pulled this one a number of years ago. I thought it amusing then, and still do.

"The rich man has his motor-car,
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